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## WHAT WAS DONE LAST WEEK IN HIS WORLD OF OURS

History-making Events in All Lines of Activity.  
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### American Affairs.

#### FRITCHARD ON THE BENCH.

Ex-Senator J. C. Fritchard, of North Carolina, the leader of the "Lily White" movement in that State, has been appointed to succeed Justice Claiborne, who is to become chief justice at the retirement of Chief Justice Bingham April 30. Mr. Fritchard will retire altogether from politics.

#### WASHINGTON ASKS JUSTICE.

Justice J. P. McPherson made an appeal for justice for the negro before the Twentieth Century Club at Boston March 28, and asked that his race be judged by its best men, and not by its worst. He said the negro race was the only race which so far had been able to live by its side, to increase in numbers, and which refused to die. In discussing the race question in the Philippines he said the most important thing to him seemed to be not whether the Filipino should be classed with the white or the black race, but whether he would have to go about classed as a problem and not as a man.

#### SHAW QUIZZES DEMOCRATS.

In an address at the banquet of the Kappa Club, Peoria, Ill., Tuesday, Secretary of the Treasury Shaw, speaking of the Democratic tariff revision programme, asked whether the Democrats would remove the tariff temporarily or permanently from monopoly produced goods. What would they do after the monopoly had become bankrupt and foreign competitors had entered? He advocated a measure of control rather than revision of rates.

#### DEWEY APPROPRIATES BRYAN.

In a Washington interview Senator Dewey, of New York, asserted that Bryan was the virtual ruler of his party at present, and that he would be nominated in 1901 or name the candidate. He thinks that Mr. Cleveland's prominence is increasing Mr. Bryan's fighting strength in the party.

#### NEW YORK EXCISE TAX.

Whip and spur of the Republican majority final passage of the new 10 per cent. increase of the liquor license law was forced in the New York assembly Tuesday, with only one Democrat in opposition. The measure was passed by a vote of 100 to 10. It was part of Governor O'Brien's programme for increasing the State's revenue to meet interest and charges upon the \$100,000,000 canal loan. The other principle feature is the proposed tax on mortgages of 4 mills a year. Also a tax of 10 cents on inheritance of real estate over \$10,000 was contained in the bill. On the mortgage tax the Republican leaders are at odds, Senator Platt having thrown his influence against it.

#### PRESIDENT'S TOUR BEGUN.

President Roosevelt and his party left Washington Wednesday in a fine special train of six cars over the Pennsylvania for his extended journey across the continent. His first speech was made at Trenton, N. J., before the Pennsylvania Legislature. In it he praised the report of the Coal Commission. On his way westward the President will stop at about fifty miles in the engine. In the President's party as his special guest is John Burroughs, the poet-naturalist.

### Executive.

#### AN EXTRA SESSION ASSURED.

Secretary of State Hay assured the Cuban Senate prior to its acceptance of the treaty that President Roosevelt would call an extra session of Congress in the fall, in order to assure its action on the amendments before Dec. 31 as required by the amendments.

#### CUBAN TREATY SIGNED.

Ratifications of the Cuban reciprocity treaty were exchanged at the State Department Tuesday by Secretary of State Hay and Senator Quesada, Cuban Minister. The treaty cannot be proclaimed until acted on by the House of Representatives.

#### ADMIRAL DEWEY'S INDISCRETION.

Owing to the angry expressions in the German press regarding the newspaper interview with Admiral Dewey last week, making an unfavorable comparison between the American navy and the German navy, President Roosevelt called on the admiral for an explanation. The hero of Manila pleaded no intentional offense, and said he had been misquoted. The point of the interview was that even in our navy was a man of intelligence and capable of initiative, while the German seamen were educated to depend upon their officers in every detail. He said that the Caribbean maneuvers "were an object lesson to the Kaiser more than to any other person."

#### \$300,000 FOR PHILIPPINES.

The \$300,000 voted by Congress for the relief of the commerce and industry in the Philippines was transmitted Tuesday by the Guaranty Trust Company, of New York, fiscal agent for the Philippine government, a warrant for that amount having been cashed by the United States Treasury.

#### MACVEAGH AT THE HAGUE.

The President has appointed Wayne MacVeagh, of Pennsylvania, to represent the United States at The Hague when the Venezuelan case is arbitrated. Mr. MacVeagh is a member of the American Bar Association and a former collector of a court appeal. In spite of some criticism from serving as to prevent Mr. Cram from serving as collector of the port of Charleston, that collector, a distinguished colored gentleman, entered upon the duties of his office Tuesday as a recess appointee.

#### A SECRET NAVAL PAPER.

The Bureau of Navigation has begun the publication of a monthly "Bulletin of Information," a number notifies all officers whose contents is to be held inviolate. All copies are to be returned and destroyed before the ensuing January, by the only one copy being kept and key. Its department under the name of "Information" in the different bureaus, shops, stations, etc.

#### WOMEN INSPECTORS RETAINED.

President Roosevelt has ordered that the women inspectors be continued in office until their return from their western trip. Treasury officials had decided on their dismissal, believing the experiment to be a failure.

#### COSMOPOLITAN COMMISSION.

A report of the cost of the Anthracite Strike Commission places the total expenditures at only \$38,000. It is proposed to use the remainder of the \$50,000 appropriated by Congress for printing and other expenses. Only three of the seven commissioners drew salaries, Judge Gray, General Wilson, Mr. Parker and Colonel Wright having salaries as government officials. The commission was in existence for exactly five months.

#### COUNT CASSINI ON CHINA.

Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador at Washington, gave to Charles Johnson for Harper's Weekly his views on

the present situation in China. He agreed with Dr. Cassini that dangerous outbreaks were imminent, but did not think the Dowager Empress was in any way connected with the rebel leaders, as has been reported. He condemned the folly of European and American merchants in extending trade and extension of trade and extension of trade and extension of trade, which will later be used against themselves. The real danger, Count Cassini thought, would come at the death of the Dowager Empress, whom he described as a great woman who had been misjudged in the West. At her death a revolution and the establishment of a new dynasty is inevitable.

#### BULGARIAN CABINET RESIGNS.

Dispatches from Sofia, March 27th, stated that the entire Bulgarian Cabinet had resigned because no one could be found to accept the Portfolio of War unless the Cabinet agreed to the army appropriations. The former minister, General Paprikoff, resigned because his demand for a credit of \$1,600,000 for the purchase of war material was refused.

#### SCOUTS REBELLED.

The Philippine rebel forces under San Miguel, were defeated March 27th by two companies of Maanabue scouts after a battle in which four rebels were killed and the scouts were killed. It was believed that the leader, San Miguel, was among those left dead on the field.

#### THE TREASURY STATEMENT.

An available cash balance of \$23,521,563 was in the Treasury Tuesday at the end of the first nine months of the fiscal year. This shows a loss of \$1,621,451 during March and an increase of \$45,000,000 over March 31st of last year. The total gold funds are \$23,521,563, an increase of \$7,600,000 during the month.

### Commercial.

#### MARCONI NEWS SERVICE.

The London Times on Monday printed two news messages sent from New York by Marconi's wireless system. It announced this to be the beginning of the regular commercial transmission of news upon a contract basis, and that the rate for Marconigrams between New York and London was more than twice between France and England.

#### HOUSE FARMING IN PITTSBURGH.

The supply of houses in Pittsburgh and Allegheny, Pa., is unequal to the demand, and many thousands of people refused to pay recent advances in rent must now vacate and can find no other houses. Hotels are overcrowded. MARCONI STATION AT NEW YORK. The Marconi station at New York, which by the Shipping trust that arrangements had been made for installing the Marconi system at a station on the American Line pier to communicate with ships compelled by fog to lie at anchor outside the harbor. On top of the big dock shield a pole 120 feet high will be raised.

#### \$400,000 GRANITE CONTRACT.

The Woodbury Granite Co., of Bennington, Vt., has obtained the contract to furnish 400,000 worth of granite for the new Pennsylvania State House, the largest order for granite on record.

#### WOMAN'S DAILY IN CHICAGO.

A new afternoon newspaper conducted by women exclusively is about to be launched in Chicago. Dr. Frances Dickson, a prominent woman, is to be the editor. She says it is not going to be a champion of woman suffrage or prohibition or any other cause or movement wide or narrow, wise or cranky.

#### HARRIMAN ANSWERS KEENE.

The answer of the Harriman interests in control of the Southern Pacific Railroad to the minority report of the committee on the Pacific bill, which was made public Wednesday, it denies most of the charges, chiefly that the Union Pacific, which it says, are not competing lines. Also it denies that the Union Pacific interests severing the Pacific from the Southern Pacific attacks the Pacific from the Southern Pacific. Keene in his relation to the Southern Pacific.

#### J. P. MORGAN AS A BULL.

In an interview Tuesday J. P. Morgan took occasion to express to the business public his belief in the soundness of the present financial situation. While he admitted that there might be in the market "many undigested securities," he maintained that these were not issued to build competing lines, but largely for the purpose of facilitating the handling of trade, and the growth of the country. He said that "never was so great or so profitable business," and that the promise was of a continuation of prosperity for a long time to come.

### Legal and Criminal.

#### NEW WAY TO SUE A UNION.

F. R. Patch Manufacturing Company, of Rutland, Va., has attached every piece of available property of individual members of the local lodge of the Machinists Union. If the Patch Company wins its property, the damages awarded from this property.

#### INDIANA WAGE LAW VOID.

The Indiana Supreme Court decided Wednesday that the wage law of 1901, providing for a minimum wage of 20 cents an hour for unskilled laborers in public works, was unconstitutional on the ground that it was class legislation and interfered with liberty of contract. The court held that it would be as reasonable for the Legislature to fix the minimum price for which municipalities should pay for bricks as for labor.

#### TROLLEY STRIKERS HELD.

Five of the eighteen men charged with assault with intent to kill the motorman and conductor of the Waterbury car, in which Policeman Mendicino was killed by a trolley, February 28th, were held under \$50,000 bonds by the Waterbury Police Court for the next term of the Supreme Court. The authorities claim to have evidence enough to convict the men, and forced to take medicine.

#### FORCED TO TAKE MEDICINE.

A Cincinnati judge issued a warrant for one John Lawrence, charging him with disorderly conduct because, believing in mind cure, he refused medicine or food, although ill with the grip. He was carried to the city hospital and forced to take medicine.

#### BURDICK INQUEST VERDICT.

The decision of Judge Murphy, of Buffalo, of the decision of the inquest on the death of E. L. Burdick virtually accused Arthur R. Pennell, the dead lawyer, of the murder, though insisting that if Pennell were alive he would be presumed innocent until proved guilty. He said that if all the facts had been brought out promptly Pennell would have been held.

#### NEWSPAPER CIRCULATION.

The California Legislature has passed a law to define the newspaper of "general circulation," in which alone official advertisements may appear. They are papers published to disseminate local or telegraphic news of general interest, having paying subscribers. List of newspapers of general circulation is excluded.

### The Whole Field at a Glance.

Just as the sinking "captain of industry," Mr. Morgan, came out of his cabin to magaphones hesitating financial world the promise of a long spell of bright weather, there rose darkly on the horizon a cloud of new industrial disturbances—strikes and threats of strikes reported from nearly every section of the country—whose shadow was further emphasized by the reversal of the Wabash injunction hailed as a victory for the cause of organized labor. A grim first of April climax, this. For the first time in many years the great cotton bills at Lowell, Mass., became idle, Monday, the thousands of employees being locked out after having determined on the enforcement of their demands. Tunnels, bridges and big buildings under construction are held up by the iron workers' strike in many quarters and Morgan having refused to intervene a general buildings trade strike was threatened. Out on the great Lakes all transportation has been held up by the firemen and oilers' strike. Chicago tanners have threatened to leave the city to escape union demands and employers elsewhere have shown a tendency to get together for the battle with labor organization. In nearly every trade and industry walk-outs or lock-outs are in progress. The New Haven settlement with an eleven-hour day on a mileage basis is regarded as an honorable compromise for both men and officials of New England's great railroad artery. The Wabash trainmen and conductors, having by peaceable representations caused Judge Adams to overturn his temporary injunction against them, are preparing to enforce their demands anew with the prospect of an extensive railroad strike. The formation of a hired girls' union at Pittsburgh is another sign of labor's sweep. Notwithstanding all this renewed faith in the soundness of the financial situation, here and abroad, has followed Mr. Morgan's optimistic interview and trading is brisk. The only other disturbing factor in Wall Street was the Harriman-Keene war over Southern Pacific, its legal status being advanced by Harriman's denial and counter charges. The beginning of a regular trans-Atlantic Marconi news service was announced by the London Times. Another Trans-Canadian

railroad was chartered to penetrate the Hudson Bay country and shorten the journey from ocean to ocean. President Roosevelt is off on his long vacation journey across the country, greeted everywhere with enthusiasm and the recipient of special honors from Chicago University. Two members of his Cabinet—Shaw and Root—have made after-dinner speeches opposing tariff revision. Bryan, before a Democratic gathering at Des Moines, Thursday, came out squarely as opposed to any compromise on the silver question, referring to the tight-money market. Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina, has been retired from the political arena by being appointed to the District of Columbia Supreme Court. The Cuban treaty ratifications were exchanged at Washington with the agreement for an extra session of Congress early in the fall to make the treaty effective. Dewey's indiscretion has angered Germany. MacVeagh to represent us in the Venezuela arbitration. Russia decreed tax reform. Marines landed at Santo Domingo. The fires of open revolt have been lighted by Albanians, 20,000 of whom have already taken up arms against the rule of Turkey and the general war in the Balkans seems now inevitable. The British House of Commons voted \$25,000 a year for Irish development and two capitalists agreed to furnish money for new railroads in Ireland. King Edward off on his Mediterranean cruise, stopping at Lisbon. King Oscar of Sweden has resumed control. King George of Greece, has been sustained by a failure of army reform plan. Filipino rebels have been defeated by Macabes scouts, forty-five being killed. Atlanta by popular subscription bids \$250,000 for the proposed Presbyterian University in the South. Federated mission at Chicago using new revival method—not ready to declare themselves being dismissed and the rest taken in a body. Smithsonian to give composite character of Filipino race. Factories of antiquities unearthed in Europe. Cambridge beat Oxford in boat race and field sports. Winton at Ormond Beach made new auto record of kilometre in 32.45 seconds. "Young Corbett" beat McGovern for feather-weight championship.

### Religious.

#### CLERICAL SLANG OFFENDS.

The Rev. Dr. Rainsford, rector of St. George's Church, New York, has been denounced in a statement signed by a number of the Episcopal clergymen of Philadelphia for a sermon delivered recently in that city. They disapproved of his referring to the Bible as being full of errors, and particularly to the slang expression, "It's up to God," which he used in explaining his ethical position.

#### ARCHBISHOP OF NON-CONFORMITY.

The most important pulpit in London outside of the established church, that of the City Temple, which was long occupied by the eloquent Joseph Parker, and was recently made vacant by the death of the high churchman, the Rev. Reginald Campbell, of Brighton. He is being referred to in the press as the new Archbishop of Non-Conformity.

#### ENGLISH RITUALIST'S DEFIANT.

Commenting on the recent action of the House of Commons favorable to the church discipline bill, the Church Times, organ of the high churchmen, against whom the bill is directed, says that the question to be determined first is whether the Church of England has a history prior to the reign of Henry VIII., and if so, whether its traditions are amenable to Parliamentary action. This question, it thinks, must be decided by the synods of the church.

#### LOW RATES FOR DOWIE.

A \$15 round trip rate to New York has been secured by Alexander Dowie for the 1,500 members of his "Restoration Movement," who will invade that city next October. The Western Passenger Association has decided to pool the business.

#### ARE ALL PAPERS PARTISAN?

At the recent meeting of the New Jersey Methodist Conference, the Rev. Dr. James M. Buckley set the secular press by the ears by the following plain declaration:

"You can't rely on the secular press to stand up for morality that will interfere with the political success of the party; the paper represents. We have never found an independent paper and we read 400 exchanges."

#### WHOLE BIBLE IN CHINESE.

Missionaries in China have at last in the complete Chinese revision of the Holy Scriptures. It was printed in Japan by the American Bible Society.

#### NEW REVIVAL METHOD.

Instead of asking the repentant and anxious newcomers in their audiences to come forward to the time-honored "anxious bench," the Federation of Churches and Christian Workers in Chicago is trying the plan of giving all who are not prepared to decide at once to enter the fold an opportunity to retire under cover of a hymn. Then all who remain are asked to act in a body. During the forenoon the audience is scattered through the auditorium to personally urge decision. This plan is being tried during the simultaneous mission of the last two weeks of Lent.

### Transportation.

#### BY TROLLEY TO THE FAIR.

A company has been incorporated in Missouri with \$4,500,000 capital to rush the construction of a trolley line through from Kansas City to St. Louis in time for the exposition next year.

#### NEW TRANS-CANADIAN RAILROAD.

The Canadian government has granted a charter for the construction of a new Canadian trans-continental road running from Quebec to Port Simpson, B. C. It will run parallel to the Canadian Pacific, but will be from 200 to 400 miles farther north. The road will shorten the distance between England and Japan and China by over 700 miles.

#### GOULD LINES GET OUTLET.

By the purchase of an old Pennsylvania charter, conferring railroad rights, the Gould interests are believed to have secured their long-sought outlet to New York.

#### RAILROAD CONSTRUCTION RATES.

The plans of the new Denver, Northwestern and Pacific line for entering the Rocky Mountain country are likely to be frustrated by Harriman's Union Pacific branch into Steamboat Springs, Col. The construction of which is being rushed.

### Miscellaneous.

#### PRESIDENT'S FAMILY CRUISING.

Mrs. Roosevelt and her children started last Sunday for a week's trip on the President's yacht, the Albatross, to the Chesapeake Bay and out into the ocean. If the weather proved favorable, a score of 42-12 points to 29-12.

#### FLOATING HOTELS AT FAIR.

To accommodate the St. Louis Fair visitors who cannot find lodgings in the Fair grounds, floating hotels will be set up on the Mississippi, where berths will be let for \$1 a night.

#### TWO NOVEL DINNERS.

Two remarkable dinners were given at New York March 23rd, by novelty-seeking society people. That of the Shakespeare Club was a progressive affair, which occupied five hours time, during which many different homes, the intervening half-mile distances being covered in automobiles.

#### ACCIDENTS AND DISASTERS.

Six men were killed outright, ten fatally injured and others hurt by a runaway of the Carnegie Steel Company at Bradford, Pa., March 31st. A "hang" forced while-hot dust through a pipe into a pit where the men were working. They had no means of escape.

#### WINTON BREAKS AUTO RECORD.

The American automobile record of 34.45 seconds made by Fred Winton on Staten Island, was broken by two seconds at Ormond, Fla., March 23rd by Alexander Winton.

#### CAMBRIDGE BEATS OXFORD.

Cambridge won the sixteenth annual inter-university boat race on the Thames at London, Wednesday, by six lengths, covering the 4-1/4 mile course in 13:32.2. This was the twenty-sixth victory for Cambridge.

#### CAMBRIDGE BEATS OXFORD.

Cambridge also beat Oxford in the annual field sports at London, March 23rd, getting eight out of the ten events and breaking the University hammer-throwing record. The new record was made by H. A. Leake, who threw 128 feet, 3 inches.

#### Art, Music, Letters.

#### A NEW RULE IN BERLIN CONCERT ROOMS.

A new rule in Berlin concert rooms, says "Musical Life," requires that before the auditors enter they must deposit their hats in the wardrobe room.

#### IN THE HOPE OF GETTING A FAIRER VERDICT.

After the morning newspaper critics, Miss Amelia Bling, the manager-actress, now playing in "The Frisky Mrs. Johnson" at New York, has announced in the Theatre Magazine that she will give a dress rehearsal of all her future plays and that she will accept of no criticism based on only the first part of a play, since the critic must get his article in time by midnight or thereabouts and a first night performance rarely ends before 11 o'clock.

#### Prof. William H. Santelmann has been

reappointed leader of the U. S. Marine Band. He has held the post for five years.

#### WIRELESS ON MOVING TRAINS.

Recent experiment in establishing wireless telegraphic communication between moving trains and railroad stations by the Brann system proved entirely successful on the military railroad near Berlin, Germany.

#### ELECTRIC DIVINING ROD.

The Daft and Williams system of locating mineral ore by the use of electricity was demonstrated at lead mines in North Wales. The ground thought to contain minerals is energized by means of a high alternating current, which is distributed through two metal rods pushed an inch or two into the earth. The presence of ore is indicated by the intensity of the current, a delicate telephone receiver attached to another pair of rods placed in the ground in any required position.

#### MIGRATIONS OF SALMON.

That salmon in their migrations return year after year by the same river is indicated by experiments of the Fisheries Board of Scotland. A metal bag had been attached to a number of fish subjected to a series of twenty-four marked fish caught the following year twenty-three were in the same waters.

#### PHILIPPINE RACE COMPOSITE.

The Smithsonian Institution, says the Scientific American, is about to embark on more extended ethnological work in the Philippines, with the expectation of proving that the blood of all races flows in the veins of the Filipinos. A special search of the caves of the Philippines is to be made for crania and a comprehensive collection of native implements from prehistoric times is to be made. Army officers have been requested to assist in this work.

### Foreign Politics.

#### NEW CHINESE MINISTER COMES.

Sir Liang-Chen, the new Chinese Minister, and suite has arrived at Washington. He is highly educated and belongs to the liberal element in China.

#### THEATRE AND CUBA.

In spite of much opposition, especially on account of the amendments tacked on by the American Senate to the Cuban reciprocity treaty, that important document was adopted by the Cuban Senate March 28, with a vote of 12 to 5, without stipulations as to the time for it to become operative through the action of the American House. This result was achieved only after President Palma had notified the Senate of President Roosevelt's promise to call an extra session of Congress to make the treaty effective by December 1.

#### KING EDWARD'S JOURNEY.

King Edward sailed on the royal yacht Tuesday for Lisbon for an extended Mediterranean cruise. An interview between the King and President Loubet, of France, has been arranged.

#### OSCAR IS KING AGAIN.

Direction of the affairs of Sweden has been assumed by King Oscar, who on January 23rd retired in favor of the Crown Prince because of illness.

#### ARMY CRISIS IN GREECE.

Because the Prime Minister of Greece had refused to support the army reform plans inspired by General Smolasky, the Minister of War resigned Monday. This is regarded as a serious step to the political crisis of King George and the Crown Prince.

#### MORE AID FOR IRELAND.

The House of Commons Wednesday adopted Chief Secretary Wyndham's motion for an annual grant of \$25,000 for development purposes in Ireland. Wyndham announced at Belfast, had agreed to provide the capital necessary for developing the transport facilities of the country. He said a general industrial revival was taking place in Ireland.

#### OPEN REVOLT IN ALBANIA.

Following the publication of Russian consular reports placing the blame for recent Macedonian disturbances on the local committees, news of serious fighting broke out in the Balkans, Turkey, and Austria has begun aggressive military movements in North Albania, where the people are in open revolt against the reform scheme of the powers. Thousands of armed Albanians surrounded Vastan and Kuvitova and attacked the Turkish garrisons, but were repulsed with loss.

#### STOCK EXCHANGES DEFENDED.

The Atlantic Monthly, defends the great stock and stock exchanges in all civilized countries from the charge of being simply gambling places. While admitting that it is possible for anyone to use the stock exchange for gambling, and that actual delivery of the commodity bought and sold is commonly made, Mr. Conant says that the stock exchange is successful, and that in the long run actual values and the laws of supply and demand tell upon stock and produce markets more than elsewhere. He asserts also that the exchange gives mobility to the first thing it opens up in the department of the production of goods, anticipating the demand through the automatic play of self-interest.

#### SUNDAY PAPERS A NECESSITY.

A decision rendered by a Philadelphia magistrate, James B. Gorman, Tuesday, in the prosecution of several local newspapers, under the law of the State of 1794, for violating the Sabbath by the issuance of Sunday papers, holds that the Sunday newspaper is a necessity to the public, and therefore not in violation of the old law, which excepted Sunday occupations of a necessary and charitable character.

#### AN INCORPORATED FAMILY.

One of the results of the reunion of the Fairbanks family at the Dedham, Mass., home of the original Jonathan Fairbanks, last August, is the recent incorporation of the Fairbanks family, as a society for historical purposes, to preserve records, and to protect the family property, and to be bought and used as headquarters. There are said to be 4,000 Fairbanks families in America.

#### WARNING ON STREET PEDDLERS.

The first step in a plan to do away with the ancient practice of street peddling in New York City has just been taken by the authorities. It is to provide an extensive fish market near the East River Bridge, where all the itinerant fish-mongers will be obliged to congregate.

#### MAJOR GENERAL DON SUNDAY.

To a delegation of the Women's Christian Temperance Union Mayor Mendenhall, of Stamford, Conn., refused to use his influence toward the enforcement of Sunday laws in his town, and said he favored a "wide-open Sunday" if it was the wish of the majority of the people. He said that public opinion was stronger than any law.

#### IRISHMEN RESIST RIDICULE.

That the Irish are growing weary of the constant ridicule of their race by burlesque comedians was shown at New York March 27, when 200 of them arose in a theatre to give signal and unite in the playing in "McFadden's Row of Flats" with bad eggs, compelling the abandonment of the performance. The assault was said to be the work of the prominent allies Irish societies or the Irish race, a similar disturbance occurred in Philadelphia occurred on the same week. In both cases arrests were made and the disturbers face persecution.

#### TO COMPEL ARBITRATION.

The New York State Board of Mediation and Arbitration, in its annual report to the Legislature, favors arbitration of labor disputes as a condition of grants to corporation of public service franchises. The trade agreement between associations of employers and employees was recommended in industries not affected by public utility.